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Working Together for a Better Community

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June 4th, 2021

Re: Future of 16th Ave NW Project – Corridor and Mainstreet – Montgomery Community Assoc - Support

To: Madhuri Seera, Senior Leader, Mobility Coordination
Caylee Dyck, Project Manager - Public Realm
CC: City Council and Ward 7 Office

Montgomery Community Association supports the infrastructure investment with the proposed Mainstreet and the 16th Avenue Corridor. These projects directly impact the quality of life for all residents and businesses in Montgomery and we appreciate the invitation to the process.

Montgomery is an entryway to the city and is the 1st residential community travelers drive through. We appreciate the gateway features being considered to landmark the identity of the community and Calgary. As with any art installation, we request that these be designed with the community.

The community sees the following benefits to the proposed short-term changes:

- Lights at 43rd St & 16th Ave NW – will increase pedestrian safety, and slow incoming traffic.
- Home Road & 16th Ave NW Advanced Left Turn – increases safety by eliminating opportunistic turns.
- 16th Ave median 49th St. Westward to River – mitigates head on collision risks.
- Shaganappi South on ramp to 16th Ave East – increased safety and direct access.
- Bylaw protection on the easement setback South of 16th Ave for future use.

The community is supportive of the medium and long-term solutions of this study, including the controlled intersection at 46th St and protected Northbound turn at 49th St, alignment of the Home Road pedestrian crossings, wider sidewalks to support businesses, tree canopy, and beautification.

We recommend protecting the bylaw setback for flexible use of space. In the short term, we support 4 lanes with flexible space for community and public usage. We support the proposed design with 6 lanes to provide off-peak business parking in the long-term plan. We also support the use of curb lanes for HOV, and better transit connections as needed.

As partners in this process, we request the city review and monitor the traffic patterns in Montgomery to address concerns from cut-through traffic. We prefer 16 Avenue be used for commuters rather than other community streets especially Home and Bowness Rd for the future safety of our residents.

We welcome these changes and would like to see the city expedite the implementation of these plans.

Sincerely,

Jason Sokolosky,
MCA President & Traffic Chair

Jane Durango,
MCA Planning Chair



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Date of meeting Jun 16, 2021

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I feel it is detrimental to traffic flow and 16th Ave NW Montgomery businesses to restrict vehicle traffic flow. There is a walking/bicycle path just a few blocks south of 16th Ave NW which travels all the way downtown and beyond. If the intent is to make 16 Ave NW in Montgomery the same as Bowness Road NW is being restricted I am not in favour. There is substantial traffic backup on the portions of Bowness Road that are remaining open during construction and that flow will not change travelling east and when opened, the west direction will also be drastically reduced. When people return to the offices downtown the traffic in our neighbourhoods (both Montgomery and Bowness) will be unbearable for residents.